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# Analytic singularities of solutions to a radial $p$ -Laplacian

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## Abstract

Analytic local description of  $W^{1,p}(I)$  solutions to a radial  $p$ -Laplace equation

$$r(|U_r|^{p-2}U_r)_r + (n-1)|U_r|^{p-2}U_r + r|U|^{q-2}U = 0$$

on  $I = [a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$  is given near singular points by a Briot-Bouquet type theorem of two variables, where  $1 < p, q < \infty$ .

## 1 Introduction

An  $n$ -dimensional  $p$ -elliptic PDE for  $u(x)$  is

$$\operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2}\nabla u(x)) + |u|^{q-2}u = 0, \quad (1)$$

where  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $1 < p, q < \infty$ .

If  $x \in \mathbf{R}^1$ , the equation reduces to

$$(|u_x|^{p-2}u_x)_x + |u|^{q-2}u = 0. \quad (2)$$

L. Paredes and the present author, making use of a Briot-Bouquet type theorem of one variable, gave analytic expression of solutions to the equation (2) near the singularities ([8]). Our analytic expression readily reproduces differentiability and analyticity obtained by M. Ôtani [6], [7] and by M. Ôtani and T. Idogawa in [4].

If  $r = |x|$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  
a radial solution  $U(r) = u(x)$  satisfies

$$(r^{n-1}|U_r|^{p-2}U_r)_r + r^{n-1}|U|^{q-2}U = 0, \quad (3)$$

or

$$r(|U_r|^{p-2}U_r)_r + (n-1)|U_r|^{p-2}U_r + r|U|^{q-2}U = 0. \quad (4)$$

The aim of this report is to extend the results for (2) to the radial  $p$  Laplacian (3) by a Briot-Bouquet type theorem of two variables.

*Remark 0.1.* R. Gérard and H. Tahara studied  $t \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Phi(t, x, u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x})$  and generalized it of many variables and of higher order case in [3]. Since our version of a Briot-Bouquet type theorem of two (or several) variables is not covered by theirs, a proof is given, inspired by their work.

## 2 A Briot-Bouquet type theorem

We recall a classical Briot-Bouquet type theorem of one variable in complex domain. We assume

- $\Phi(t, h)$  is holomorphic near  $(0, 0) \in \mathbf{C}^2$ ,
- $\Phi(0, 0) = 0$ ,
- $\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial h}(0, 0)$  is not any positive integers.

**Theorem 1** (Briot-Bouquet).

$$t \frac{dh}{dt} = \Phi(t, h)$$

has a unique holomorphic solution near  $t = 0$ , satisfying  $h(0) = 0$ .

If  $\Phi(t, h)$  is real analytic, so is  $h(t)$ , too.

*Proof.* Set  $a_{\alpha, i} = \frac{1}{\alpha! i!} \frac{\partial^{\alpha+i} \Phi}{\partial t^\alpha \partial h^i}(0, 0)$ . Notice we can rewrite the equation by

$$t \frac{dh}{dt} - a_{0,1} h = a_{1,0} t + \sum_{2 \leq \alpha+i} a_{\alpha, i} t^\alpha h^i.$$

Moreover, the left hand side satisfies the condition that there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|\alpha - a_{0,1}| \geq \delta$$

for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^* = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ .

**Formal solution:** Let  $\hat{h}(t) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} h_\alpha t^\alpha$  be a formal solution. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - a_{0,1}) h_1 &= a_{1,0}, \\ (\alpha - a_{0,1}) h_\alpha &= Q_\alpha(a_{\alpha', i}, h_{\alpha''}; \alpha' + i \leq \alpha, \alpha'' \leq \alpha - 1) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\alpha \geq 2$ , where  $Q_\alpha$  is a polynomial with nonnegative integer coefficients.

**Convergence:** Then, we prove convergence of  $\hat{h}(t)$  through the implicit function theorem.

An auxiliary equation of  $H(t)$  is given by

$$\delta H = |a_{1,0}|t + \sum_{2 \leq \alpha+i} |a_{\alpha,i}|t^\alpha H^i.$$

with  $H(0) = 0$ .

There exists a unique convergent series function  $H(t) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} H_\alpha t^\alpha$  by the implicit function theorem. Since  $\delta H_\alpha = Q_\alpha(|a_{\alpha',i}|, H_{\alpha''}; \alpha' + i \leq \alpha, \alpha'' \leq \alpha - 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |h_1| &= |a_{1,0}|/|1 - a_{0,1}| \\ &\leq |a_{1,0}|/\delta = H_1, \\ |h_\alpha| &= |Q_\alpha(a_{\alpha'}, h_{\alpha''})/(\alpha - a_{0,1})| \\ &\leq Q_\alpha(|a_{\alpha'}|, H_{\alpha''})/\delta = H_\alpha \\ &\text{for } \alpha \geq 2 \text{ by induction.} \end{aligned}$$

□

We will make use of a Briot-Bouquet type theorem of two variables for our main results. We state it in a slightly more general form for convenience.

Let  $\mathbf{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ .  $B = \{\beta\}$  is a fixed finite subset of  $\mathbf{N}^d$ , where  $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_d)$  is a  $d$ -dimensional multi-index with  $|\beta| \geq 1$ . Let  $(t, h, \rho_B) = (t_1, \dots, t_d, h, \{\rho_\beta; \beta \in B\}) \in \mathbf{C}^{d+1+|B|}$  be local variables near the origin, where  $|B|$  is the number of the elements in  $B$ . Let  $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_d) \in \mathbf{C}^d$  be global variables.  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d)$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  denote  $d$ -dimensional power indices in  $\mathbf{N}^d$ .

**Theorem 2.** *We assume that a holomorphic function  $\phi(t, h, \rho_B)$  and a polynomial*

$$L(\xi) = \sum_{0 \leq |\gamma| \leq r} l_\gamma \xi^\gamma$$

*satisfy*

(i)  $\phi(t, \rho_B)$  has a power series expansion near  $(0, 0)$  without linear

parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(t, \rho_B) &= \sum_{2 \leq |\alpha| + |i_B|} a_{\alpha, i_B} t^\alpha \rho_B^{i_B} \\ &= \sum_{2 \leq |\alpha| + |i_B|} a_{\alpha, i_B} t^\alpha \prod_{\beta \in B} \rho_\beta^{i_\beta},\end{aligned}$$

where  $|i_B| = \sum_{\beta \in B} i_\beta$  for a multi-index  $i_B = (i_\beta)_{\beta \in B}$  and

(ii) there exists a positive constant  $\delta$  such that for all  $d$ -dimensional multi indices  $\alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \geq 1$ ,

$$\left| \sum_{0 \leq |\gamma| \leq r} l_\gamma \alpha^\gamma \right| \geq \delta \max\{1, \alpha^\beta; \beta \in B\}, \quad (5)$$

where  $\alpha^\beta$  denotes the coefficient of  $(t \frac{\partial}{\partial t})^\beta t^\alpha$ .

Then, a nonlinear equation

$$\begin{aligned}& \sum_{0 \leq |\gamma| \leq r} l_\gamma \left( t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^\gamma h(t) = a \cdot t + \\ & + \sum_{2 \leq |\alpha| + |i_B|} a_{\alpha, i_B} t^\alpha \\ & \cdot \prod_{\beta \in B} \left( \left( t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^\beta h(t) \right)^{i_\beta}\end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

has a unique holomorphic solution  $h(t)$  near the origin with  $h(0) = 0$ .

*Proof.* We will follow the previous proof.

**Construction of  $\hat{h}(t)$ :** We set

$$\hat{h}(t) = \sum_{|\alpha| \geq 1} h_\alpha t^\alpha. \quad (7)$$

Substituting (7) into (6), we have

$$L(\alpha) h_\alpha = a_\alpha \quad \text{when } |\alpha| = 1,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
L(\alpha)h_\alpha &= Q_\alpha(a_{\alpha', i_B}, h_{\alpha''}, (\alpha_\beta)^\beta h_{\alpha_\beta}; \beta \in B \\
&\text{the indices at least satisfy} \\
|\alpha'| + |i_B| &\leq |\alpha|, |\alpha''| \leq |\alpha| - 1 \\
|\alpha_\beta| &\leq |\alpha| - 1,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha', \alpha'', \alpha_\beta$  are copies of  $\alpha$ . Thus,  $h_\alpha$  are determined succesively.

**Convergence of  $\hat{h}$ :** An auxiliary analytic equation (cf. Gérard-Tahara [3])

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta H &= |a_1|t_1 + |a_2|t_2 \\
&+ \sum_{2 \leq |\alpha| + |i_B|} |a_{\alpha, i_B}| t^\alpha (H(t))^{|i_B|}.
\end{aligned}$$

Solving this equation of  $H$  by the implicit function theorem, we have a unique holomorphic solution near the origin  $t = 0$  with  $H(0) = 0$ . We claim

$$H(t) = \sum_{\alpha} H_{\alpha} t^{\alpha} \gg \hat{h}(t).$$

More strongly we claim,

$$H_{\alpha} \geq \max\{|h_{\alpha}|, |\alpha^{\beta} h_{\alpha}|; \beta \in B\}.$$

We notice

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{\alpha} &= \frac{1}{\delta} Q_{\alpha}(|a_{\alpha', i_B}|, H_{\alpha''}, H_{\alpha_\beta}; \text{the indices satisfy} \\
&\text{at least } |\alpha'| + |i_B| \leq |\alpha|, |\alpha''| \leq |\alpha| - 1, \\
&|\alpha_\beta| \leq |\alpha| - 1, \beta \in B).
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

We start with  $|\alpha| = 1$ :

$$|h_{\alpha}| = |a_{\alpha}/L(\alpha)| \leq |a_{\alpha}|/\delta = H_{\alpha}.$$

Then, by induction, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\max\{1, \alpha^{\beta}; \beta \in B\} \cdot |h_{\alpha}| &\leq \frac{1}{\delta} Q_{\alpha}(|a_{\alpha', i_B}|, |h_{\alpha''}|, |(\alpha_{\beta})^{\beta} h_{\alpha_{\beta}}|; \\
&\text{indices satisfy at least} \\
|\alpha'| + |i_B| &\leq |\alpha|, |\alpha''| \leq |\alpha| - 1, \\
|\alpha_{\beta}| &\leq |\alpha| - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{\delta} Q_\alpha(|a_{\alpha', i, i_B}|, H_{\alpha'}, H_{\alpha_\beta};$$

the indices satisfy at least

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha'| + |i_B| &\leq |\alpha|, |\alpha''| \leq |\alpha| - 1, \\ |\alpha_\beta| &\leq |\alpha| - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have obtained  $\max\{|h_\alpha|, |\alpha^\beta h_\alpha|\} \leq H_\alpha$ .  $\square$

We need this Briot-Bouquet type theorem in case where  $d = 2$ ,  $r = 2$ ,  $\max\{|\beta|; \beta \in B\} = 1$ .

### 3 Local uniqueness

To assure that weak solutions in  $W^{1,p}(I)$  are filled locally by our analytical method, we need local uniqueness of solutions to the Cauchy problem to (3). We adapt proofs of uniqueness in J. Benedikt [1] and P. Drábek and M. Ôtani [2] for forth order  $p$ -elliptic equations, completing them with an energy inequality.

Let  $I = [a, b]$  be a compact interval in  $(0, \infty)$ .

**Proposition 1** (Local uniqueness). *Let  $r_0$  be an arbitrary positive constant in  $I$ . Local solutions on  $I$  are uniquely determined near  $r_0$  by initial data  $U(r_0)$  and  $U_r(r_0)$ .*

*Proof.* Set  $V(r) = r^{n-1}|U_r(r)|^{p-2}U_r(r)$ ,  $p' = p/(p-1)$  and  $f_p(X) = |X|^{p-2}X$ . Notice  $f_{p,X}(X) = (p-1)|X|^{p-2}$ . Then, we have from the equation,

$$\begin{cases} V_r(r) &= -r^{n-1}|U(r)|^{q-2}U(r) = -r^{n-1}f_q(U(r)), \\ U_r(r) &= r^{\frac{1-n}{p-1}}|V(r)|^{p'-2}V(r) = f_{p'}(r^{1-n}V(r)). \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

Suppose

$$\begin{aligned} V_1(r_0) &= V_2(r_0), \quad U_1(r_0) = U_2(r_0) \\ |U_0| + |V_0| &> 0. \end{aligned}$$

We will show that there exists a positive constant  $\epsilon$  such that  $U_1(r) = U_2(r)$  on  $J(\epsilon) = [r_0 - \epsilon, r_0 + \epsilon]$ , as proved in Benedikt [1] in 4th order  $p$  elliptic ordinary differential equation.

Case (i):  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $2 \leq q$ .

$$\begin{aligned} V_1(r) - V_2(r) &= r^{n-1} \{f_p(U_{1,r}(r)) - f_p(U_{2,r}(r))\} \\ &= r^{n-1} \int_{U_{2,r}(r)}^{U_{1,r}(r)} f_{p,X}(\tau) d\tau \end{aligned}$$

We set  $K_1 = \max\{|U_{i,r}(r)|; r \in I, i = 1, 2\}$ . Noticing  $f_{p,X}(X)$  is positive decreasing on  $(0, \infty)$ , when  $1 < p < 2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |r^{n-1} \{f_p(U_{1,r}(r)) - f_p(U_{2,r}(r))\}| \\ \geq (r_0 - \epsilon)^{n-1} (p-1) K_1^{p-2} |U_{1,r}(r) - U_{2,r}(r)|. \end{aligned}$$

We set  $K_0 = \max\{|U_i(r)|; r \in I, i = 1, 2\}$ .

$$V_1(r) - V_2(r) = - \int_{r_0}^r \tau^{n-1} \{f_q(U_1(\tau)) - f_q(U_2(\tau))\} d\tau.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f_q(U_1(\tau)) - f_q(U_2(\tau))| &= \left| \int_{U_2(\tau)}^{U_1(\tau)} f_{q,X}(\sigma) d\sigma \right| \\ &\leq (q-1) K_2^{q-2} |U_1(\tau) - U_2(\tau)| \\ &\leq (q-1) K_2^{q-2} \left| \int_{r_0}^r \{U_{1,r}(\sigma) - U_{2,r}(\sigma)\} d\sigma \right| \\ &\leq (q-1) K_2^{q-2} \epsilon \|U_{1,r} - U_{2,r}\|_{J(\epsilon)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\|U\|_{J(\epsilon)} = \max_{|r-r_0| \leq \epsilon} |U(r)|$ .

Choosing  $\epsilon$  sufficiently small, we conclude

$$\|U_{1,r} - U_{2,r}\|_{J(\epsilon)} = 0.$$

Hence,  $V_1 = V_2$  on  $J(\epsilon)$ , therefore,  $V_{1,r} = V_{2,r}$ , which gives  $U_1(r) = U_2(r)$  on  $J(\epsilon)$

Since we can proceed the rest as in [1], we show only classification of cases.

Case (ii):  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $1 < q < 2$

Subcase (ii-1): We assume also  $U_0 \neq 0$ .

Subcase (ii-2):  $U_0 = 0, V_0 \neq 0$ .



Case (iii):  $2 < p$ , and  $2 \leq q$ .

Subcase (iii-1):  $V_1(r_0) = V_2(r_0) \neq 0$ .

Subcase (iii-2):  $V_1(r_0) = V_2(r_0) = 0$  and  $U_1(r_0) = U_2(r_0) \neq 0$ .

Case (iv):  $2 < p$  and  $1 < q < 2$ .

Subcase (iv-1):  $U_0 = 0$ , and  $V_0 \neq 0$ .

Subcase (iv-2):  $U_0 \neq 0$ , and  $V_0 = 0$ .

We need different arguments, when  $U_0 = V_0 = 0$ . We assume  $U_0 = V_0 = 0$ .

To complete the proof, we use an energy inequality.

**Proposition 2.** (i) *Every nonzero  $W^{1,p}(I)$  solution  $U$  on  $I$  has  $C^1(\bar{I})$  regularity.*

(ii) *Then, it satisfies the energy equality*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{p-1}{p} |U_r(r)|^p + \frac{1}{q} |U(r)|^q \\ &= \frac{p-1}{p} |U_r(c)|^p + \frac{1}{q} |U(c)|^q \\ & - (n-1) \int_c^r \frac{1}{\sigma} |U_r(\sigma)|^p d\sigma \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

for all  $r, c \in I$ .

(iii) *If  $U(r_0) = U_r(r_0) = 0$  for some  $r_0 \in I$ , then,  $U(r) = 0$  on  $I$ .*

*Remark 2.1.* (i) is due to M. Ôtani [6].

When  $n = 1$ , (ii) is the energy equality.

When  $n = 1$ , (iii) is trivial (for any  $p, q > 1$ ) in virtue of the energy equality. When  $n > 1$ , this completes the proof of local uniqueness.

*Proof of (iii).*  $U(r) = 0$  for all  $r \in [r_0, b]$  in virtue of the energy inequality.

For all  $r \in [a, r_0]$  we have

$$\frac{p-1}{p} |U_r(r)|^p + \frac{1}{q} |U(r)|^q = (n-1) \int_r^{r_0} \frac{1}{\sigma} |U_r(\sigma)|^p d\sigma,$$

therefore,

$$\frac{p-1}{p} |U_r(r)|^p \leq (n-1) \int_r^{r_0} \frac{1}{\sigma} |U_r(\sigma)|^p d\sigma.$$

By Gronwall's lemma, we have  $U_r(r) = 0$  on  $I$ . Since  $U(r_0) = 0$ , it implies  $U(r) = 0$  on  $I$ .  $\square$

*Remark 2.2.* We note a different proof, when  $q \geq p$  as in [2].

We note

$$r^{n-1}f_p(U_r(r)) = V(r) = \int_{r_0}^r V_r(\tau)d\tau = - \int_{r_0}^r \tau^{n-1}f_q(U(\tau))d\tau.$$

We have  $r_0^{n-1} \|U_r\|_{J(\epsilon)}^{p-1} \leq \epsilon \|V_r\|_{J(\epsilon)} \leq \epsilon(r_0 + \epsilon)^{n-1} \|U\|^{q-1} \leq \epsilon^q(r_0 + \epsilon)^{n-1} \|U_r\|_{J(\epsilon)}^{q-1}$ . If we assume  $\|U\|_{J(\epsilon)} > 0$ , we have  $r_0^{n-1} \leq \epsilon^q \|U_r\|_{J(\epsilon)}^{q-p}$  for any small positive  $\epsilon$ . This gives contradiction, hence  $\|U\|_{J(\epsilon)} = 0$ .

## 4 Analytic singularities

We shall now describe local analytic singularities of the solution  $U(r)$  to (4).

When  $n = 1$ , a classical Briot-Bouquet type theorem of one variable was sufficient to obtain the unique existence of analytic solution to the nonlinear ordinary differential equation ([8]).

When  $U(r_0) \neq 0$  and  $U_r(r_0) \neq 0$ ,  $r_0$  is an analytic point of solution  $U(r)$ . Hence, we consider two types of singularities:

- $r_0 = \sigma$  where  $U(\sigma) = 0$  and  $U_r(\sigma) = A \neq 0$ ,
- $r_0 = \tau$  where  $U(\tau) = A \neq 0$  and  $U_r(\tau) = 0$ .

CASE 1.  $\sigma$  where  $U(\sigma) = 0$  and  $U_r(\sigma) = A \neq 0$ . We assume  $A > 0$  without loss of generality. We treat the case where  $\sigma > 0$ .

**Theorem 3.** *For  $1 < p, q < \infty$ , there exists a unique analytic function  $F(t, s)$  in a neighborhood of the origin such that we have near  $r = \sigma$*

$$U(r) = (r - \sigma)F(r - \sigma, |r - \sigma|^q). \quad (11)$$

$F(t, s)$  is a holomorphic solution to

$$\begin{aligned} & (p-1)(\sigma+t)\{F(t,s) + tF_t(r,s) + qsF_s(t,s)\}^{p-2} \\ & \{tF_t(t,s) + qsF_s(t,s) \\ & + t(tF_t(t,s))_t + 2qtsF_{t,s}(t,s) + q^2s(sF_s(t,s))_s\} \\ & + (\sigma+t)s(F(t,s))^{q-1} \quad (\text{continued}) \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (n-1)t\{F(t, s) + tF_t(t, s) + qsF_s(t, s)\}^{p-1} \\
& = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

with

$$F(0, 0) = A. \tag{14}$$

Consequently, we can compute the expansion of  $U(r)$  at  $r = \sigma$  :

$$\begin{aligned}
U(r) = (r - \sigma) \left\{ A - \frac{n-1}{2\sigma(p-1)} A(r - \sigma) \right. \\
\left. - \frac{A^{q-p+1}}{(p-1)q(q+1)} |r - \sigma|^q + \dots \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

*Proof.* We reduce equation (13) by change of the unknown function

$$F(t, s) = A + h(t, s)$$

into

$$\begin{aligned}
L \left( t \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, s \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) h(t, s) &= - \frac{1}{(p-1)(\sigma + t)} \\
&\times \{A + h(t, s) + th_t(t, s) + qsh_s(t, s)\}^{2-p} \\
&\times [(\sigma + t)s(A + h(t, s))^{q-1} + (n-1)t \\
&\{A + h(t, s) + th_t(t, s) + qsh_s(t, s)\}^{p-1}]
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= a_{1,0}t + a_{0,1}s \\
&+ \sum_{2 \leq p+q+i+j+k} a_{p,q,i,j,k} t^p s^q \\
&\times (h(t, s))^i \left( t \frac{\partial h}{\partial t}(t, s) \right)^j \left( s \frac{\partial h}{\partial s}(t, s) \right)^k,
\end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{1,0} &= - \frac{(n-1)A}{(p-1)\sigma} \\
a_{0,1} &= - \frac{1}{p-1} A^{q-p+1}.
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

We have  $L(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha + q\beta + \alpha^2 + 2q\alpha\beta + q^2\beta^2$ .

Since  $L(1, 0) = 2$  and  $L(0, 1) = q(q + 1)$ ,  $F_t(0, 0)$  and  $F_s(0, 0)$  are determined and so on. Thus, the unique existence of the solution is obtained by the B-B type theorem of two variables.

Next,  $(r - \sigma)F(r - \sigma, |r - \sigma|^q)$  is a  $C^2$  function near  $\sigma$ . It satisfies (1) with the prescribed Cauchy data. By Proposition 1, it is equal to the unique solution  $U(r)$  with the same Cauchy data.  $\square$

**Corollary 1** ([4], [7],[8]). (i) When  $q$  is an even integer more than 1, the solution  $U(r)$  is real analytic near  $\sigma$ .

(ii) When  $q$  is not an even integer, the solution  $U(r)$  is of class  $C^{<q>}$  at  $\sigma$ , where  $<x>$  is the least integer greater than or equal to  $x$ .

CASE 2.  $\tau$  where  $U(\tau) = A$  and  $U_r(\tau) = 0$ .

As in the case 1, we can assume without loss of generality that  $A > 0$ .

**Theorem 4.** For any  $p$  and  $q$  satisfying  $1 < p, q < \infty$ , there exists a unique analytic function  $G(t, s)$  in a neighborhood of the origin such that we have near  $r = \tau$

$$U(r) = A + |r - \tau|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} G\left(r - \tau, |r - \tau|^{\frac{p}{p-1}}\right), \quad (19)$$

where  $G(t, s)$  is a holomorphic solution to the nonlinear equation:

$$\begin{aligned} & (p-1)(t+\tau) \left\{ -\left(\frac{p}{p-1}G(t, s) + tG_t(t, s) + \frac{p}{p-1}sG_s(t, s)\right) \right\}^{p-2} \\ & \times \left\{ \frac{p}{(p-1)^2}G(t, s) + \frac{p+1}{p-1}tG_t(t, s) + \frac{p(p+1)}{(p-1)^2}sG_s(t, s) + t(tG_t)_t(t, s) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{2p}{p-1}tsG_{t,s}(t, s) + \frac{p^2}{(p-1)^2}s(sG_s)_s(t, s) \right\} \\ & + (\tau+t)(A+sG(t, s))^{q-1} \\ & - (n-1)t \left\{ -\left(\frac{p}{p-1}G(t, s) + tG_t(t, s) + \frac{p}{p-1}sG_s(t, s)\right) \right\}^{p-1} \\ & = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & - (n-1)t \left\{ -\left(\frac{p}{p-1}G(t, s) + tG_t(t, s) + \frac{p}{p-1}sG_s(t, s)\right) \right\}^{p-1} \\ & = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

with

$$G(0, 0) = -\frac{p-1}{p} A^{\frac{q-1}{p-1}}.$$

Consequently, we have a convergent expansion near  $r = \tau$  :

$$\begin{aligned} U(r) = & A + B|r - \tau|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} + C(r - \tau)|r - \tau|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} \\ & + D|r - \tau|^{\frac{2p}{p-1}} + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

where

$$B = -\frac{p-1}{p} A^{\frac{q-1}{p-1}} \text{ and} \quad (23)$$

$$C = \frac{(n-1)}{2(2p-1)} A^{\frac{q-1}{p-1}} \quad (24)$$

$$D = \frac{q-1}{2(2p-1)} \left( \frac{p-1}{p} \right)^2 A^{1+\frac{2(q-p)}{p-1}}. \quad (25)$$

*Proof.* We show, at first, unique existence of the solution  $G(t, s)$ .

We reduce the equation by change of unknown function by

$$G(t, s) = B + h(t, s),$$

into

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{p}{(p-1)^2} h(t, s) + \frac{p+1}{p-1} t h_t(t, s) + \frac{p(p+1)}{(p-1)^2} s h_s(t, s) \\ & + t(t h_t)_t(t, s) + \frac{2p}{p-1} t s h_{t,s}(t, s) \\ & + \frac{p^2}{(p-1)^2} s(s h_s)_s(t, s) \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & = -\frac{p}{(p-1)^2} B - \frac{1}{(p-1)(t+\tau)} \\ & \times \left\{ -\frac{pB}{p-1} - \frac{p}{p-1} h(t, s) \right. \\ & \left. - t h_t(t, s) - \frac{p}{p-1} s h_s(t, s) \right\}^{2-p} \\ & \times \{(\tau+t)(A + sB + s h(t, s))\}^{q-1} \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} & - (n-1)t \left( -\frac{p}{p-1}B - \frac{p}{p-1}h(t,s) \right. \\ & \left. - th_t(t,s) - \frac{p}{p-1}sh_s(t,s) \right)^{p-1} \end{aligned} \right\}. \quad (28)$$

Developing the right hand side with respect of  $(t, s, h, \rho, \theta)$ , where  $\rho = sh_s$  and  $\theta = sh_s$ , we, at first, obtain

$$B = -\frac{p-1}{p}A^{\frac{q-1}{p-1}}$$

by the condition that the constant term vanishes:

$$-\frac{p}{(p-1)^2}B - \frac{1}{p-1} \left\{ -\frac{p}{p-1}B \right\}^{2-p} A^{q-1} = 0.$$

Then, we have the development of the R.H.S. is

$$\begin{aligned} R.H.S. &= a_{1,0,0,0,0}t + a_{0,1,0,0,0}s \\ &+ \frac{2p-p^2}{(p-1)^2}h(t,s) + \frac{2-p}{p-1}th_t(t,s) \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+ \frac{2p-p^2}{(p-1)^2}sh_s(t,s) \\ &+ \sum_{2 \leq \alpha+\beta+i+j+k} a_{\alpha,\beta,i,j,k} t^\alpha s^\beta \\ &\times (h(t,s))^i \left( t \frac{\partial h}{\partial t}(t,s) \right)^j \left( s \frac{\partial h}{\partial s}(t,s) \right)^k. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} l_{0,0} &= \frac{p}{(p-1)^2} - \frac{2p-p^2}{(p-1)^2} = \frac{p}{p-1}, \\ l_{1,0} &= \frac{p+1}{p-1} - \frac{2-p}{p-1} = \frac{2p-1}{p-1}, \\ l_{0,1} &= \frac{p^2+p}{(p-1)^2} - \frac{2p-p^2}{(p-1)^2} = \frac{p(2p-1)}{(p-1)^2}, \\ l_{2,0} &= 1, l_{1,1} = \frac{2p}{p-1}, l_{0,2} = \frac{p^2}{(p-1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have the reduced equation

$$\begin{aligned} & L \left( t \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, s \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) h(t, s) \\ &= a_{1,0,0,0,0} t + a_{0,1,0,0,0} s \\ &+ \sum_{2 \leq \alpha + \beta + i + j + k} a_{\alpha, \beta, i, j, k} t^\alpha s^\beta \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

$$\times (h(t, s))^i \left( t \frac{\partial h}{\partial t}(t, s) \right)^j \left( s \frac{\partial h}{\partial s}(t, s) \right)^k. \quad (32)$$

Since  $L$  satisfies the condition (5), the unique existence of the solution to (21) is obtained by our Briot-Bouquet type theorem.  $\square$

**Corollary 2** ([4], [7],[8]). (i) If  $p/(p-1)$  is an even integer, i.e.  $p = (2m+2)/(2m+1)$  ( $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ),  $u(x)$  is real analytic at  $\tau$ . (ii) If  $p/(p-1)$  is not an even integer, the solution  $U(r)$  is of class  $C^{<\frac{2-p}{p-1}>+1}$  at  $\tau$ , where  $<x>$  is the least integer greater than or equal to  $x$ . Especially, when  $1 < p \leq 2$ ,  $U(r)$  is of class  $C^2$  at  $\tau$ . When  $2 < p$ ,  $U(r)$  is not of class  $C^2$  at  $\tau$ .

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